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For: CODING SYSTEM FOR VALUE DOCUMENTS

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2010 finally rejecting claims 20-28 under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Reconsideration of this rejection is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments presented herein.

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Claims

The claims are amended as shown in the following pages under the heading "LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS". This listing of claims supersedes all prior listings of the claims presented in this application, shows the current status of all claims in the application and shows currently proposed amendments to the claims.